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FROM RSO TO SY AND ARA

E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF TERRORIST ACTIVITIES

1. THIS REPORT GIVES A SUMMARY OF POLITICAL VIOLENCE AND
TERRORIST ACTIVITIES THAT HAVE COME TO OUR ATTENTION DURING
THE PERIOD FROM JUNE 9-16, 1977.

2. ON JUNE 9, 1977 LOCAL PRESS REPORTED THAT THE ARMY
COMMAND HAD RELEASED PORTIONS OF A CAPTURED MONTONERO DOCUMENT
WHICH SHOW THAT IDEOLOGICAL SOLIDARITY WITHIN THE GUERILLA
BAND IS CRUMBLING ALONG WITH HOPES OF A "FINAL VICTORY"
AND THAT SOME OF THE MEMBERS HAVE DECIDED TO BREAK AWAY
FROM THE MAIN GROUP. NOTE: THERE HAS BEEN NO
INDEPENDENT CORROBORATION OF THE ABOVE DOCUMENT.

LOCAL PRESS ALSO REPORTED THAT IN A CONFRONTATION IN
LA PLATA BETWEEN TERRORISTS AND SECURITY FORCES, ONE TERRORIST
WAS KILLED AND ONE OTHER FEMALE TERRORIST ARRESTED. A
POLICE OFFICER AND A BYSTANDER WAS INJURED.

ON JUNE 13, LOCAL PRESS REPORTED THAT IN LA PLATA
THREE TERRORISTS WERE KILLED IN A CONFRONTATION WITH
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SECURITY FORCES. THE TERRORISTS, TRAVELING IN A
CITROEN, ATTACKED SECURITY FORCES AT A VEHICLE CHECKPOINT.

ON JUNE 15, LOCAL PRESS REPORTED THAT IN LANUS
PROVINCE OF BUENOS AIRES, A NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICER OF
THE NATIONAL GENDARMERIE WAS SHOT BY TERRORISTS IN A
DRUGSTORE LOCATED AT ELIZALDE IN VILLA ECHENAGURIA

DISTRICT.

ON THE SAME DATE, LOCAL PRESS REPORTED THAT A BOMB EXPLODED IN FRONT OF A SHOP LOCATED AT FRAGA AND FEDERICO LACROZE STREETS. THREE MONTHS PRIOR, A BOMB EXPLODED IN THE SAME PLACE. ONLY MATERIAL DAMAGE WAS CAUSED.

ON JUNE 17, FEDERAL POLICE BOMB SQUAD DETONATED A BOMB LOCATED AT FRAGA 702. THE BOMB CAUSED MATERIAL DAMAGE TO THE BUILDING AND THREE CARS THAT WERE PARKED THERE.

3. RSO COMMENT: SECURITY SOURCES STATE THAT MONTONERO MILITARY ELEMENTS WILL CONTINUE CONCENTRATING THEIR ATTACKS ON SOFT, LOW RISK TARGETS AND BOMB ATTACKS. THEY WILL ATTEMPT TO INCREASE THEIR POLITICAL ACITIVITY, PARTICULARLY ON THE INTERNATIONAL FRONT.
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